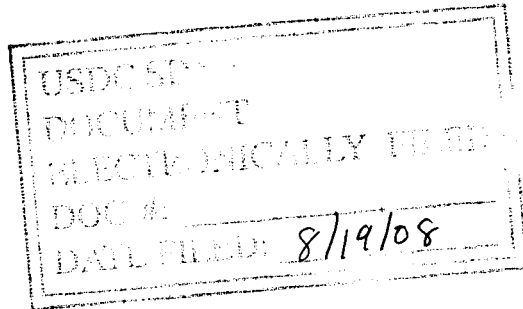


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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Hon. William H. Pauley III  
United States District Court  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

8/1/2008

Re: *In re: SLM Corporation Securities Litigation (08 Civ. 1029)*

Dear Judge Pauley:

We represent the defendants in the above referenced matter, and write to request a brief adjournment of the pre-trial conference currently scheduled for August 14, 2008, as set forth in the Scheduling Order entered 7/30/08. Unfortunately, due to a prior conflict, defendants' lead counsel is not available on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Plaintiffs' lead counsel also indicated that he would have had to modify his schedule to attend the conference on the 14<sup>th</sup> and thus readily consented to this request. All counsel will be available on August 19<sup>th</sup> if that date is convenient to the Court. No previous requests for such an adjournment have been made. Accordingly, we respectfully request that the August 14<sup>th</sup> conference be rescheduled for August 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Respectfully yours,

Jeff G. Hammel  
of LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

cc: All Counsel of Record

Application Granted. The pre-trial conference is adjourned to September 26, 2008 at 11:15 a.m.

SO ORDERED:

WILLIAM H. PAULEY III U.S.D.J.  
8/18/08